

# HOUSE BILL No. 1033

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 15-7-10.

**Synopsis:** Biofuels task force. Establishes the biofuels task force as a permanent legislative study group operating under the policies of the legislative council.

**Effective:** July 1, 2005.

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January 4, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Environmental Affairs.

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Introduced

First Regular Session 114th General Assembly (2005)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning agriculture and animals.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 15-7-10 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS  
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2005]:  
4 **Chapter 10. Biofuels Task Force**  
5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "biofuels" includes biodiesel,**  
6 **ethanol, and other agricultural based alternatives to petroleum**  
7 **based fuels.**  
8 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "task force" refers to the biofuels**  
9 **task force established by this chapter.**  
10 **Sec. 3. There is established the biofuels task force.**  
11 **Sec. 4. The task force consists of eleven (11) members as follows:**  
12 **(1) Two (2) members of the house of representatives**  
13 **appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.**  
14 **(2) Two (2) members of the house of representatives**  
15 **appointed by the minority leader of the house of**  
16 **representatives.**  
17 **(3) Two (2) members of the senate appointed by the president**



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pro tempore of the senate.

(4) Two (2) members of the senate appointed by the minority leader of the senate.

(5) Three (3) members appointed by the governor.

**Sec. 5.** In making appointments under this chapter, the governor shall give special consideration to persons who are members of or who represent the following organizations or interest groups:

(1) Farm organizations.

(2) Fat and oil processors.

(3) Petroleum producers and refiners.

(4) Environmental and public health interest groups.

(5) Grower organizations.

(6) Research and education experts.

(7) Consumers.

**Sec. 6.** Each member of the task force serves at the pleasure of the person who appointed the member.

**Sec. 7.** The task force shall operate under the legislative council's policies governing study committees.

**Sec. 8.** The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting members appointed to the task force are required for the task force to take action on any measure, including final reports.

**Sec. 9.** The legislative services agency shall serve as staff to the task force.

**Sec. 10.** The task force shall do the following:

(1) Investigate methods to increase research, development, production, and use of biofuels.

(2) Advise the commissioner of agriculture on matters related to biofuels.

(3) Give priority consideration to review of biofuel projects and policies that will provide maximum economic and environmental benefits to Indiana.

(4) Submit recommendations to the legislative council and to legislative committees that have subject matter jurisdiction over biofuel matters as directed by the legislative council. The recommendations to the legislative council must be in an electronic format.

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